

**REMARKS**

Entry of this Amendment in supplement to the Amendment filed on November 30, 2004 is respectfully requested.

By the present Amendment, new independent claims 14 and 15 are submitted for examination. Claim 14 and 15 correspond to claims 6 and 12, respectively, except for defining the invention in a slightly broader format. Specifically, although these claims include all of the features argued in the Remarks of the November 30, 2004 amendment for distinguishing over the cited prior art, they delete certain more specific terms which are not believed to be necessary to overcome the cited prior art (such as the feature of the sprocket holes at a predetermined pitch along the edges of the carrier tape or the specific tape movements for the tape holder members or the actual length of the overlap). As such, it is respectfully submitted that newly submitted independent claims 14 and 15 also define over the cited prior art from the Office Action for the same reasons already presented in the arguments of the November 30, 2004 Amendment. Therefore, entry of this Amendment and allowance of claims 14 and 15, together with claims 6-13 previously presented, is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus,

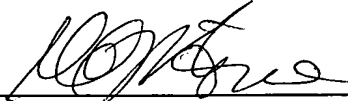
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Respectfully submitted,

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